

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A portable radio communications device comprising:
a body;
a cover having a closed position for at least partially covering the body and an open position;
a display; and
a multifunctional key accessible when the cover is in the closed position, one of said keys being multifunctional and in a position remote from other of said keys
wherein:
the function of the multifunctional key is dependent upon the state of the device,
and
for at least one state of the device, operation of the multifunctional key controls the provision of information on the display,
wherein the multifunctional key is arranged to be active when the cover is in the closed position and inactive when the cover is in the open position.
2. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the display comprises a portion which is visible when the cover is in the closed position, and ~~operation of the key is operable to~~ controls the provision of information on the portion of the display visible when the cover is in the closed position.
3. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, which comprises a receiver.
4. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~1~~ 3 wherein, when the device is in a state corresponding to the receipt of a message, ~~operation of the key is operable to~~ controls the provision of information corresponding to the message.

5. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~ wherein, when the device is in a state corresponding to the receipt of a missed call, ~~operation of the key is~~ operable to controls the provision of information corresponding to the missed call.

6. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, which comprises a transmitter.

7. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~16~~ wherein, when the device is in an idle state, ~~operation of the key is~~ operable to controls the provision of information corresponding to the last number ~~dialled~~ dialled.

8. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in claim ~~16 or 7~~ arranged for coupling to a headset, and when the device is in a headset coupled state, ~~operation of the key is~~ operable to controls the provision of information corresponding to the last number dialed.

9. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, wherein operation of the key is a single actuation.

10. (New) A device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a hinge switch for detecting when the cover makes a specific acute angle with the body.

11. (New) A device as claimed in claim 10, further comprising a processor for detecting, via the hinge switch, when the cover is in the open position and when the cover is in the closed position.

12. (New) A device as claimed in claim 11, wherein the processor is arranged to disable the multifunctional key when the cover is in the open position.

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13. (New) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the multifunctional key is located on the cover.